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IN RE APPLICATION OF:
 IGNATIOUS, Francis et al.

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REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

In response to the Office Action mailed on February 12,
2004, the period for response there having been extended so as to
expire on August 12, 2004 pursuant to Applicant's Petition for
Extension of Time filed concurrently with this Reply, please
amend the above-identified application as follows.

The present amendments follow the revised format procedure
mandated in 68 Fed. Reg. 38611, published June 30, 2003.